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**Opening Open Innovation:  
A Multi-Theoretical Perspective on Intermediaries  
in Online Community-Based Innovation**

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